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August 18, 2011 Via Overnight Delivery

Ms. Jocelyn Boyd, Chief Clerk South Carolina Public Service Commission 101 Executive Center Dr. Columbia, SC 29210

RE: Business Telecom, Inc.

Notice of Change in Trade Name

Dear Ms. Boyd:

Please accept the original and two (2) copies of this letter as notification that Business Telecom, Inc. ("Company") is changing the name under which it provides telecommunications services in South Carolina from Business Telecom, Inc. d/b/a BTI to Business Telecom, Inc. d/b/a EarthLink Business. This is simply the adoption of a new trade name, and does not affect the rates, terms or conditions of service provided to customers within South Carolina.

The Company respectfully requests a waiver of publication requirements as all presubscribed customers are being notified via a bill message.

A copy of the authorization from the South Carolina Secretary of State is enclosed as Exhibit A.

Upon approval of this name change, the Company will submit a tariff revision reflecting the new trade name.

Please acknowledge receipt of this filing by date-stamping the extra copy of this cover letter and returning it to me in the self-addressed, stamped envelope provided for that purpose. Questions regarding this filing should be directed to my attention at 407-740-3001 or via email to tforte@tminc.com. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Thomas M. Forte

Consultant to Business Telecom, Inc.

cc: Mary Whiting (via Email) - EarthLink - BTI

C. Dukes Scott, Executive Director, ORS

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## Exhibit A

Secretary of State

## State of South Carolina Office of the Secretary of State The Honorable Mark Hammond

TRADEMARK REGISTRATION



SERVICE MARK REGISTRATION malanabahanan mananamananan mananan mananan mahanahan manananan

I, Mark Hammond, Secretary of State, hereby certify that the following mark has been registered in this state according to the provisions of the South Carolina Code of Laws Section 39-15-1105 et seq. to:

Business Telecom, Inc. 1375 Peachtree Street Atlanta, GA 30309-

## EarthLink Business

Date of First Use in South Carolina: 12/8/2010 Class of Goods or Services: Service mark class #4

Registration Date: 6/3/2011 Ex If an Entity, Organized under the Laws of North Carolina

Description: The mark consists of the words "EarthLink Business"

Date of First Use: 12/8/2010
Description of Goods or Services:
Telecommunications products and services

Expiration Date: 6/3/2016

Given under my hand and Great Seal of the State of South Carolina on June 3, 2011



Mark Hammond, Secretary of State